

Arkansas Correctional School District

Dr. Bill Glover, Superintendent



Academic

September Statistics

Average Daily Membership

ADC— 2,422

ACC—163

Total Students Served— 2,585

- On September 8th, Dr. Glover and Tracy Dowell met with Patsy McWhorter, Education Specialist at Henderson State University—Educational Opportunity Center. Ms. McWhorter is looking to partner with ACSD in both adult literacy and higher education preparedness. The EOC provides literacy education at a few units. EOC also assists inmates with enrolling in college, completing FAFSA forms, & entrance test preparation.
- School enrollment continues to improve. Several units are now allowed to have more than one barracks in school at a time.
- Principals and their designated teachers are in the process of recertifying as Pearson Vue Examiners. Pearson Vue requires all examiners to recertify each year.

ADC Units	# Passed To Date	Last Year This Date
Benton	2	2
Cummins	1	1
Delta	1	1
East Ark.	0	0
Grimes	4	0
Hawkins	0	1
Max	0	0
McPherson	14	1
NCU	3	3
Ouachita	0	0
Pine Bluff	4	4
Tucker	2	0
Varner	1	0
Wrightsville	1	0
Total	33	13

DCC Units		
SWACCC	0	0
NEACCC	5	0
ECACCC	2	5
Luxora	0	0
CACCC	0	0
NWACCC	3	3
Omega	0	0
Total	10	8
TOTAL ADC & DCC	43	21

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Career and Technical Education

- Dr. Glover and Tracy Dowell participated in a Zoom meeting and demo of the Vortex Edge Max with CM Labs on September 9th. The Vortex Edge Max simulates several pieces of construction equipment. ACSD—CTE is interested in the earth moving package plus forklift.
- On September 8th, Dr. Glover and Tracy Dowell conference called with Mark Lobel, VP of Operations at Loading Dock Systems. Mr. Lobel is interested in partnering with ACSD-CTE's Welding program at Varner and providing on-the-job training.
- Principal and CTE Supervisor at McPherson, Micah Bone, interviewed for a Cosmetology Instructor on Sept. 28th.
- Tracy Dowell has developed a CTE Instructor Evaluation Form. Career Tech instructors will be evaluated in a format similar to what is used for teachers.
- Tracy Dowell participated in a Zoom meeting with Securus regarding the New Tablet Process on Sept. 30th.

Unit	Program	Enrolled	Completions	YTD Completions
EARU	Building and Grounds Maintenance	11	0	2
	HVAC	10	0	0
	Welding	16	0	5
Ester	Computer Applications Technology	14	2	11
McPherson	Computer Applications Technology	13	1	4
	Computerized Accounting	11	0	0
	Cosmetology	0	0	0
	Cosmetology Instructor	0	0	0
	Horticulture	14	0	5
NCU	Horticulture	14	0	0
ORCU	Building and Grounds Maintenance	6	1	1
	Computer Applications Technology	3	3	3
	Plumbing	8	0	0
	Welding	7	0	0
RLW	Landscape Construction & Design	14	0	1
Varner	Building and Grounds Maintenance	9	1	1
	Food Service	10	0	2
	HVAC	5	0	0
	Residential Carpentry	7	0	0
	Residential Electricity	14	1	1
	Welding	9	1	1
Total		195	10	37

Future Fit		8	9
NCCER		20	27
ServSafe		9	11
iCEV		10	10

Board Report
October 2021

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Academic & Career and Technical Education

Arkansas Correctional School District—Career and Technical Education is in the process of developing several new programs. The first one, **Heavy Equipment Operator**, will be a 600 hour program. The curriculum is currently being developed. Participants will be able to earn a certificate of completion from ACSD-CTE and two certificates from NCCER. We are planning on purchasing two simulators from CM Labs. Several pieces of earth moving equipment and fork lifts can be simulated. Each piece of equipment requires 20-30 hours of simulation before a trainee becomes proficient in it's operation. The simulator can be programed to simulate various weather and light conditions, safety considerations, and different terrain. **Welding-OJT** is the planned partnership with Loading Docks Systems in Malvern. The plan is for participants to complete about 100 hours of training ACSD-CTE at ORCU and then complete the other 500 hours on the job while they earn \$18-\$20 per hour. We are also wanting to partner with Paws in Prison. The idea is to use the iCEV platform to provide the Paws trainers an opportunity to receive an iCEV certificate and a certificate from ACSD - CTE. This new program will be a short course (probably around 150 hours), and will be called **Pet Care and Management**. The other new program will be called **Introduction to Commercial Driving**. The plan is to offer class work and simulations to prepare our students to test when they are released.

Career and Technical Education students that need academic instruction are now being remediated by the school. ORCU CTE Supervisor, Burt VanHorn, reports that the remediation is helping the Career Tech students improve their mathematic skills. Although Grimes does not have any CTE courses, Benny Nettles, Principal, is offering remediation to students preparing for the college entrance exam.

Grimes Unit inmate, Levi Townsend, recently earned his GED after progressing from a GE of less than fifth grade. Inmate Townsend is now awaiting transfer to begin an ACSD-CTE's program.

Micah Bone, Principal at McPherson, recently interviewed two candidates for the vacant cosmetology instructor position. Angela Hill was selected. We hope to have her paperwork completed by the first week of October. Classes should resume by the middle of the month. Several students are ready to take the State Board Written Exam.

Arkansas Correctional School District administrators met for their monthly meeting on September 23rd. Agenda items included: •Dyslexia •WRAT •GED Statistics Review •Remediation •eOMIS Scanners • CM Labs Simulator •Loading Dock Systems •CTE Skills Check List

Mark Colbert, Warden Page, and Warden Branch were in attendance.





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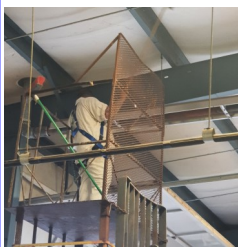
CM Labs Simulations is the largest Heavy Equipment Operator (HEO) Simulator provider worldwide and have clients such as Operating Engineers, US Army, US Navy and countless training organizations and general contractors.

Implementing HEO simulations at the inmate level provides benefits to the inmates and society because:

1. Heavy Equipment Operators are in demand in almost every state
2. It is an industry that is here to stay that pays very well - recession or not
3. A big portion of inmates do not have very advanced level of education and it is **CRITICAL** for them to get a well paying job once they are out to **reduce recidivism and criminality.**



Tracy Dowell and Andre Rogers met with eOMIS and Marquis representatives on September 16th to discuss the changes requested for ACSD. The requested changes include: limiting referral access, · allowing inmates to clock in and out multiple times each day, · creating new assignment codes, · creating new program achievement certificate types and codes, sunsetting unused types and codes, · changing “Vo-Tech” to “CTE” · Removing the signature requirement from the Dyslexia screener

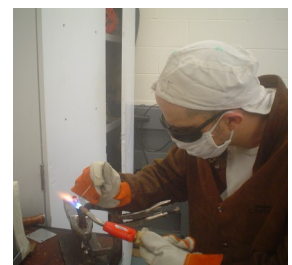


A Building and Grounds Maintenance student demonstrates the proper use of a safety harness as he cleans Varner's shop ceiling.

A couple months ago, a former Varner CTE student called Supervisor Jeff Fowler to thank the CTE staff for giving him a chance. He went on to say that he had gotten a MIG welding job in Oklahoma earning \$17 an hour.

About two weeks ago, the same former student called back to say he was getting a promotion to a “layout man” and a \$2 an hour raise. He also told Mr. Fowler “I wouldn't be where I am if I hadn't learned those skills while I was locked up.”

Pictured below is a heat exchanger built by the EARU welding students.



EARU HVAC student welding HVAC pipe.

A recent EARU welding completer will soon complete a second CTE program- HVAC. This inmate will continue as an Intern to assist present and future students in both Welding and HVAC.

This inmate will leave ADC with two completion certificates in high demand fields. Additionally, his future employer will benefit from the supervisory experience he is gaining from ACSD—CTE.